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### From Our NVBS President:

I am still amazed that I became the President of NVBS. Thank you everyone for your support. Also, thanks to my fellow Board members: Vice President Diane Dennis, Secretary Alison Reinfeld, and Treasurer Helen Victor. I enjoy the community of the bead society and our shared fascination with beads.

I love to see everyone’s work and I encourage you to wear your creations to the monthly NVBS meetings. I also encourage everyone to send a picture of their work to [Webmaster.nvbs@yahoo.com](mailto:Webmaster.nvbs@yahoo.com) for our new Members Gallery.

Also, please put on your “thinking caps” to come up with new activities for NVBS. We already have classes and lectures but I would like to hear more about what you want to do. You can send me your ideas using [president.nvbs@yahoo.com](mailto:president.nvbs@yahoo.com).

Beadingly,

Barbara Holloway

### 2015 Outreach Program Annual Report

By Marilu Del Caprio

2015 came and went very fast for the Outreach Committee. We met our goals and at the same time, the Committee had fun and enjoyed the camaraderie while planning and working together on the many details of our activities. Following is a brief summary of our accomplishments:

- We started, as what is becoming a tradition, with the January Bead Blast at Amy Katz’s home. Her willingness to open her home to the outreach beading minions is greatly appreciated. We also had another outreach beading meeting in the summer. In December, we were able to send about 50 sets of jewelry to Dress for Success as well as “bling” jewelry for the Reston Community Center Diva Central



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- In March and May we had workshops with the Girls Scouts, their leaders and moms - where everyone had fun; the girls enjoyed creating their pieces and the Society members admired their innovative creations.
- The May auction was a success and we raised about \$1,400. Later, we had a special sale of beads received from the Lorraine Morton's state. This was an unexpected gift and had the Committee running to value, price and prepare them for sale. We were able to do only a partial sale, therefore the rest will be included in the 2016 Auction.
- We tried to have a Trunk Show in September - it was to be a new source of funding but because of low registration we had to cancel.
- During the summer, the Committee got together at the storage unit and we were able to get rid of items no longer needed (donated, recycled or trashed), identify items for sale, and reorganized the unit by placing shelves and labeling the boxes. Although it is still quite full, once the items for sale are disposed of, it will be easier to access all the boxes.
- We also contributed with cash donations to the Creative & Therapeutic Arts Program at the Washington Children's Hospital; the Lorton Youth Program, and the Girls Scouts TOGA. We also bought tools, beads and findings for the Alexandria Guest House, a new beneficiary of our Outreach Program.
- Since November, we have 2 volunteers working with the Alexandria Guest House, helping their clients with jewelry making.

As outgoing Chair, I want to express my appreciation and gratitude to all the members of the Committee - they responded to my calls for help every time and worked very hard in the organization of all our activities. Also thanks to all the members that volunteered for the auction and with the jewelry making for donation. Without their support we would have not been able to reach our goals.

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So why do you create something? There is no correct reason, only the reason that works for you at the moment. Your primary motivation will certainly change from project to project. Product and process are certainly great motivators; I think adding expression as a source of motivation helps to move us along the path from craft to art.

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### **WANTED ~ Volunteers to fill NVBS positions (here are just some of the opportunities)**

#### **Recording Secretary - term ends 2017**

- A. Record minutes of all Board of Directors meetings as well as those of the general meetings or arrange for alternate if unable to attend;
- B. Distribute copies of the minutes of Board of Directors meetings to Board members within 2 weeks of each meeting;
- C. Maintain all official records of the NVBS, including but not limited to copies of the current By-Laws, Standing Rules, Minutes, and correspondence not covered elsewhere. Documentation shall be kept in the Secretary's possession for a minimum of 2 years, and available at all meetings;
- D. Maintain NVBS general email account, checking daily and responding or forwarding messages as appropriate;
- E. Monitor the NVBS Post Office Box, visiting at least once per week and/or at the closing of event deadlines;
- F. Scan and forward time sensitive correspondence;

#### **Volunteer Chair -**

Contact new members of the NVBS and note which volunteer opportunity they will commit to. Communicate this to the appropriate committee chair. Be the go-to person for committee chairs in filling their vacancies. Coordinating volunteers for all events and activities that the NVBS may be invited to by outside organizations (Baltimore Bead Show table, Washington Bead society Bead Show table, etc.). If enough volunteers cannot be arranged, then notify the BOD.

#### **Auction Coordinator for 2016**

Prepares (tags) donations for the May Auction with item number, description and starting value for the auctioneer. Decides what donations will be designated for live



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auction, raffle item, silent auction and door prizes. Coordinates volunteers, display of auction items and room layout. Solicits donations from membership and local bead shops.

### Media Chair for 2016

More positions can be found towards the end of the newsletter!

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### **CALLING ALL MEMBERS!!!!**

Please submit a photo of your work to the NVBS Website to our new page:

#### **Members Gallery**

We would like to display the creativity of our members.

Submit a clear jpg photograph of your jewelry or craft to show it off

#### Label your work:

*Your name*

*Artwork or Jewelry Item*

*Designed by: Give the original artist the credit for the design*

*Beaded by/ Assembled by: Your name*

We would like to post up to 30 items every 4 months!!! Then, the next 4 months, a different 30 items. We are aiming to give everyone a chance.

- Please, only one submission per member.
- Acceptance is on a first come, first serve basis.
- No submissions will be held for future postings, but may be resubmitted.
- Current members of either NVBS or the Baltimore Bead Society are invited. Your current membership status will be verified.



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#### Schedule of Submissions:

Submit from February 1 to February 15th for: March, April, May, June  
Submit from June 1 to June 15th for: July, August, September, October  
Submit from Oct. 1 to Oct. 15th for: November, December, January, February

Send email with your photograph and description to:

Webmaster.nvbs@yahoo.com

Please place in the Subject Line of the email: Members Gallery Submission

If you have any questions, please send your questions to:

Webmaster.nvbs@yahoo.com

Please place in the Subject Line of the email message: Members Gallery Submission - Question(s)

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### **May Auction for Outreach**

Our meeting May 5 will be a silent auction to raise money for our outreach projects. We have many wonderful donated items, including finished pieces, beads and tools. We have a large stash of seed beads, including delicas, size 15s and Czech beads on hanks. Some of these beads will be sold by weight and some of the will be sorted into lots to bid on in the silent auction.

If you have something you can no longer use and would like to donate to the auction, please contact Beth Eltinge ([beth.eltinge@gmail.com](mailto:beth.eltinge@gmail.com)) to make arrangements for donating. The deadline for donating is April 13.

On the night of the auction, feel free to bring your own project to work on while the bidding progresses.

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### BEADING EVENTS & DATES:

Monthly meetings: 7:00 social, 7:30 meeting, 8:00 speaker

#### March 2016

Scarlett Menon: Meeting 3/3  
Bead embroidery from start to finish

#### April 2016

Kim Stathis: Meeting 4/7,  
workshops, 4/ 8 -10

#### May 2016

Auction is scheduled

#### June 2016

Beth Eltinge:  
Paper bead workshop 6/2

September (8) 2016: program TBD,  
challenge kits will be available

#### October 2016

Cynthia Rutledge: Meeting 10/6,  
workshops 10/ 7 - 9

#### November (3) 2016

TBD

#### December (1 or 8) 2016

holiday party

#### May 2017

Laura McCabe May (4, 5, 6, 7) 2017

#### July (14, 15, 16) 2017

Liisa Turunen

#### October 2017

Marcia DeCoster

#### April 2018

Nancy Cain

To help fill our classes we now have a reciprocal relationship with the Baltimore Bead Society. Our members can take Baltimore Bead Society classes for the member's rate. The classes are held in Ellicott City, Maryland, which is close to Columbia.

Here is a link to their upcoming classes:

<http://www.baltimorebead.org/weekend-workshops/>

### Business stuff:

To view or download the current NVBS By-Laws please visit [www.nvbs.org/membership/by-laws](http://www.nvbs.org/membership/by-laws)

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To view or download NVBS forms, past newsletters, meeting minutes, etc., please visit [www.nvbs.org/member\\_files](http://www.nvbs.org/member_files)

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Board Meeting Minutes are available upon request. Just send an e-mail to

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On Sunday April 10th 2016, Kim will instruct Bit of Whimsy Necklace. An intermediate workshop, the necklace has an elegant hollow beaded pendant made with a domed crown of pearls, round crystals and seed beads. The body of the pendant is cylindrical and is made using peyote stitch. The base of the pendant is closed off with a cap of pearls, crystals and seed beads. The pendant and necklace strands attach to a central decorative component. The necklace strands are made using a twisted herringbone rope. Beaded boots cover the ends of the twisted herringbone rope and make it possible to attach to the decorative central component. The closure has a set of attached double buttons that fit into loops at the end of the necklace strands.

Mark your calendars and sign up early!





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### Northern Virginia Bead Society ~ Membership Application & Renewal Form

Four e-mailed newsletters and member rates on workshops.

**New Members:** Join between January 1 & August 31 - Pay \$30.00

Join after Aug 31 - Pay \$35.00 and the membership will run through the following year.

**Renewing Members:** renew before January 31 - Pay \$30.00 (EARLY BIRD BONUS) ~ Payment after January 31st - \$35.00

Make check payable to Northern Virginia Bead Society and mail to:  
NVBS, PO Box 2258, Vienna, VA 22183-2258

**Please PRINT clearly**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

New Member? Yes  / No  - Info changed? Yes  / No

NAME of person joining: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment:  Cash /  Check #

\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Art/Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mark if applicable:  Artist  Commercial (Buy and sell)

Would you like to volunteer on a committee?  Media  Outreach  Workshops  Fund Raising

Do you wish to have your information EXCLUDED from the directory? Yes  / No

The NVBS Privacy Policy applies to ALL members - By joining the Society, you are agreeing to this policy. [http://www.nvbs.org/privacy\\_policy](http://www.nvbs.org/privacy_policy)



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## **NVBS meeting minutes - November, December, January, February**

### **November 2015**

- The meeting was called to order at 7:36.
- Members were reminded to check the website for updates. Mardi is very diligent about keeping it up to date. There may be occasional glitches (Paypal, etc) that will be taken care of.
- Marjory is holding classes on Saturday and Sunday but enrollment is low and there are still openings.
- Vienna Arts Society is already reserved and paid for. Workshops will now be \$50.
- Members were also reminded that we have nationally known teachers among our members.
- Upcoming meetings: February: Beth will do a presentation on Beading for Meaning. In June: Beth will do a workshop on paper beads.
- Programs: presenters are paid \$150 and up to \$200 to cover printing and other costs. One of our members may be able to contact a jewelry historian. A motion to revisit upcoming programs was made and was seconded by Paulette.
- Beth will be Outreach chair. A motion was made by Beth for Barbara to step up as President in 2016 and seconded by Paulette. A motion was made by Beth for Diane to be Vice President in 2016 and seconded by Amy.
- Holiday party: Barbara will arrange for most of the refreshments, utilizing her membership at BJ's for cheeses, vegetable platters and appetizers, and will arrange for meat pastries from Lebanese Taverna.
- Marilu will arrange for a shrimp platter from Costco.
- Decorations for the party will include the 6 tinsel trees and tablecloths at the storage unit. There will be a display for the challenge pieces. Also, Lisa St Martin will have a trunk show of her glass beads.

### **December 2015**

- The holiday party was held on December 3 at the Reston Community Center Gallery at Lake Anne.
- There was no formal business meeting. Challenge pieces were displayed and admired, food was delicious and a good time was had by all.





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July (14, 15, 16) 2017: Liisa Turunen  
October (5, 6, 7, 8) 2017: Marcia DeCoster  
May 2018: Nancy Cain

### February 2016

- The meeting was called to order at 7:20.
- Everyone was welcomed to the meeting. Members were thanked for their renewals, new members were welcomed to NVBS.
- The website gallery was discussed. Mardi needs submissions in .jpg form
- Scarlett requested newsletter items be submitted by February 12.
- There will be a board meeting on February 20 at Barbara's home. Lunch will be available (please RSVP!) Pickup can be arranged at the East Falls Church Metro station. The meeting is open to ALL NVBS members.
- Paulette's workshop "Until We Meet Again" will be on February 27
- Barbara offered an afternoon of Bead Therapy at her home on February 7. She also offered the possibility of similar sessions on the first Sunday of the month or the first Sunday after the NVBS monthly meeting
- There was a reminder of the April workshops with Kim Stathis.
- A suggestion was made for Show and Tell at our meetings.
- The Bead Blast occurred on January 30 due to snow on January 23. A total of 9 necklace and earring sets and one set which also included a bracelet were made for Outreach.
- A March workshop with Girl Scouts is tentatively scheduled for some time in March. Nancy is our liaison with the Girl Scouts. A leader-daughter event is also a possibility.
- The state of Virginia acknowledged their confirmation that we meet the criteria for a charitable organization in the state. Paperwork for this confirmation must be done annually.
- The May auction for Outreach will not have a live auction - there will only be a silent auction. More of Lorraine Morton's pieces will be available. Other items to be included are beads, including delicas and 15s, price by weight, donations from Paulette, Off the Beading Path and others.
- Mardi discussed website issues and asked that users do some of the troubleshooting (such as clearing the cache) before contacting her.





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### NVBS Board & Committee Members' Email Listing

Barbara Holloway	President	<a href="mailto:president.nvbs@yahoo.com">president.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
Diane Dennis	Vice-President	<a href="mailto:vice_president.nvbs@yahoo.com">vice_president.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
Alison Reinfeld	Secretary	<a href="mailto:info.nvbs@yahoo.com">info.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
Helen Victor - term ends Dec 2016	Treasurer	<a href="mailto:treasurer.nvbs@yahoo.com">treasurer.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
<b>Vacant</b>	Volunteer Chair	<a href="mailto:volunteer_chair.nvbs@yahoo.com">volunteer_chair.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
Nancy Moats	Girl Scout Coordinator	<a href="mailto:girlscout_coordinator.nvbs@yahoo.com">girlscout_coordinator.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
<b>Vacant</b>	Auction Coordinator	<a href="mailto:auction_coordinator.nvbs@yahoo.com">auction_coordinator.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
Mardi Trout	Webmaster	<a href="mailto:webmaster.nvbs@yahoo.com">webmaster.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
<b>Vacant</b>	Media Chair & Publicist	<a href="mailto:media_chair.nvbs@yahoo.com">media_chair.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
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<b>Vacant</b>	Program Instructor Liaisons	<a href="mailto:program_instructorliaison.nvbs@yahoo.com">program_instructorliaison.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
Susan Etkind	Program Logistics	<a href="mailto:program_logistics.nvbs@yahoo.com">program_logistics.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
<b>Vacant</b>	Hospitality Coordinator	<a href="mailto:hospitality.nvbs@yahoo.com">hospitality.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
Beth Eltinge	Outreach Chair	<a href="mailto:outreach_chair.nvbs@yahoo.com">outreach_chair.nvbs@yahoo.com</a>
Please note: A space between words in the e-mail indicates an underscore _		



# *Findings by the Northern Virginia Bead Society Summer 2014*

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*The Northern Virginia Bead Society (NVBS) was created in February of 1992 and initially had 13 members. We are a non-profit organization.*

*Our purpose is to encourage members of the community to appreciate and participate in the visual arts through beads. We endeavor to provide a network for education opportunities and the exchange of ideas about beads and techniques in beading.*

## **JOIN US AT OUR MONTHLY MEETINGS**

*Everyone welcome!*

*Meetings are usually held on the first Thursday of the month - see our website for location*

*700 p.m.-Social Time*

*7:30 p.m.-Business*

*8:00 p.m.-Program*

*Our Programs vary from bead history and lore to demonstrations, how-tos, and more.*

*Visit our web site at [www.nvbs.org](http://www.nvbs.org) for the latest information and our list of speakers and workshops.*

### **Findings Contribution Deadlines:**

*Winter - submissions by January 15 - published in February*

*Spring - submissions by April 15 - published in May*

*Summer - submissions by July 15 - published in August*

*Fall - submissions by October 15 - published in November*

### **Advertising - Single Insertion Rates**

*Full Page 7 1/4" x 10" \$75*

*Half Page, horizontal 7 1/2" x 5" \$55*

*Quarter Page, 3 3/4" x 5" \$35*

*Business Card, 2" x 3 1/2" \$20*

*Please send camera-ready copy with payment to NVBS, c/o Findings Editor, PO Box 2258, Vienna, VA 22183-2258 or send a digital JPEG file to [newsletter.nvbs@yahoo.com](mailto:newsletter.nvbs@yahoo.com) (you will be contacted for payment information).*